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In re Application of:)

BASKIN, Dale et al.) Group Art Unit: 1637

Application No.: 09/818,086) Examiner: TUNG, Joyce

Filed: March 26, 2001) Confirmation No. 2844

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RESPONSE

Applicants now respond to the Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal

Brief mailed December 20, 2006 ("Action"). The present Response is being filed with a

Petition for Two Month Extension of Time and fee. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks.

Remarks/Arguments begin at page 2.